

The Abortion Justice Act

BACKGROUND

Abortion care is health care and a fundamental human right. But in America, access to this right has been stripped away from far too many, and the inequities and disparities in our healthcare system that harm our most marginalized are only amplified when it comes to abortion care. It is past time to speak plainly about abortion justice.

In a truly just America, abortion care is treated as the fundamental healthcare that it is. Care is readily available for those who seek it, costs are covered, providers are trained and supported, and essential patient-centered services like abortion doula care are the norm.

In a just America, Black and brown women, folks with disabilities, our indigenous siblings, and the LGBTQ community can access the abortion care they want and need in community without stigma, shame, or systemic barriers.

In a just America, abortion care is normalized, and we speak plainly about the many varied circumstances where abortion care is sought. Bodily autonomy is treated as a right codified in law and your access to care is not dependent on your zip code, your immigration status, your income, or your background. Healthcare justice is possible.

The Abortion Justice Act is a comprehensive bill that:

- Calls for necessary federal investments in abortion care, including training, research, outreach, doula care, and innovation;
- Requires insurance coverage include abortion care;
- Protects patients and providers from criminalization;
- Affirms a legal right to abortion and miscarriage care;
- Removes systemic barriers to care including for immigrant families; and
- Addresses disparities and systemic racism in the healthcare system.